

rusty particles were really dust specks drawn up by the wind from African deserts and borne with it across the Mediterranean. This is not an unprecipitated phenomenon. Twenty years ago a French philosopher, passing a large number of the same species, quality, and probably from the same source, from a house-top at Valencia; and, again, a German, found the peculiar African grit in Berlin. These facts, however, prove little, and the germs of disease may be of the wind; the wind, and the germs of disease may be of the wind; it is not always inanimate dust that is thus wafted to immense distances. A shower of insects fell at Arachos, in Savoy, last year, which, upon examination, proved to be of a species of *Phryganea*, a water bug, which had been a few years back, Turin was visited by millions of larvae of a fly found nowhere but in the island of Sardinia. These are recent and well proven cases; many minute straining instances might be collected from microscopical examinations.

FAIR HAIR.—The large and daily increasing demand for the fair hair with which many "ladies of the period" are wont to deck out the scanty suppleness granted to them by nature has run up the price of that article to such an extent that the finest sorts are scarce and the inferior sorts are getting to be scarce, whose colour they are supposed to possess. According to the American papers this circumstance has given rise in New York to a new branch of industry. Pick-pockets have begun to vary the monotonous business of robbing the pockets of ladies for the hair of the razor and equally profitable occupation of cutting off ladies' hair. Armed with a pair of sharp scissors, they haunt the entrances of the theatres and churches, and in general all crowded places; these ladies who, occasionally, are so ready to give up their hair, are being down their backs, making most, I imagine, of the hairdressers out of work, find this an excellent mode of turning their skill to a lucrative account. The Bishop of New Jersey has announced that at the next election he will wear a wig, and that he will not wear any beard adorned with borrowed tresses. But how, unless he supplants a jury of coiffures in the vestry,

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and the other four years last month; on leaving the room she went into the yard; the three were the only persons in the room; her husband went out; she had no other person living with her; the room was a small one; there was a wood stove on the hearth in the room, almost on a level with the floor; immediately after she had got into the yard,

his cries she she returned at once to the house, and
 firing the room she saw deceased close to the fire
 clothes on fire; all the deceased had on was a
 tint frock and a calico chemise; the deceased was
 to walk, but could creep about the room; she
 deceased and tore the clothes, which were in flames,
 both chemise and frock were in flames; or the

WITNESS, "Close to her daughter, was a fire-stick on the floor not blazing up; the fire-stick was not on the floor when witness went into the yard; her little boy came to deceased, screaming; when she had got her clothes off she saw that she was burnt on the left arm and arm, from the left hip down to the knee in the whole of the thigh was also burnt; the deceased died when witness left her to go into the yard."

she received during her temporary absence
the room; immediately after she saw the burns she
to them salad oil and flour; she used that treatment
the whole of the night; during the morning her
her seemed to suffer great pain, and consequently she
her husband for a doctor, and he brought Dr. Nolan,
smiled deceased and ordered linseed oil and lime-

to be mixed and applied to the burns with lint soaked mixture; she carried out the doctor's direction; he a tea spoonful of pale brandy, in two tea spoonfuls r, to be given to the deceased occasionally, with as milk and beef-tea as she could take; about 9 on the Friday night her daughter was seized with pions, and remained in them till she died that morn- a quarter to 3 o'clock. The jury, after having

red the evidence of the father and mother of the
d, found that she died from the effects of burns
tally received.

HEARING SANDSTONE.—A lump of gold-bearing
me, exposed to contain about 9 lbs. weight of pure
from the Thames diggings, can be seen at the office of
Eldred and Spence, 64, Margaret-street, where it

FATAL ACCIDENT AT WEST MAITLAND.—On Tuesday (says the *Newcastle Chronicle*) a fatal accident occurred on the road between West and East Maitland, at the house formerly occupied by Messrs. Gordon, a well-known homoeopaths. A Mr. and Mrs. Mannans, their daughter and two of their grandchildren, all of whom reside at Narragut, near Morpeth, were proceeding

ay towards the gallows, and when within a few
of the former residence of Messrs. Gordon and
the horse shied at something, and plunged, causing
y to upset, and instantaneously killing Mrs. Mar-
the spot. Mr. Marzane was also so much injured
p to yesterday morning, his life was despaired of.
ately, the daughter had the presence of mind
her two children out of the dray, and

up off of it herself, before it completely
ned, thus escaping serious injury, and
a similar fate to that of her mother. An inquest
the death of Mrs. Marnane was held at the Cross
on, on Tuesday, when a verdict in accordance with
pregoing particulars was recorded. The same
further states:—In our last issue we chronicled
the accident of Mr. Marnane of Wyndham-M

which melancholy event took place at West Maitland, today morning last. In particularising the accident also stated that Mr. Marnane had been so seriously as to leave no hope of his recovery. We learn since died on the afternoon of the same day, at his residence, Narrowgut, whither he was conveyed. Mr. Marnett the Rock of Cashel Hotel, Morpeth, for a

LAST SNAKE STORY.—The Yetman (M'Intyre) correspondent of the *Mercury* is responsible for the news:—“Yesterday, a young man, while making his way across the desert, lost the road, and when he had got in five miles of it, he saw a snake which, in appearance, was something like a ship's cable. The young man was much agitated with awe. Recovering himself, however,

olutely planted his foot on the neck of the monster, with a large clasp-knife set about the somewhat difficult task of decapitating it, lashing and buffeting the head with great vigour, and, holding the monster round the man's body in such a manner as forcibly to bring into one's view that frightful piece of sculpture in the Sydney Museum called *Il mostro di Sydney*. The monster

the struggle, the snake took a turn round the arm enemy, and by drawing its folds tighter and tighter, fashion, produced a great deal of pain, not unminged fear. But steel is harder than snake's flesh, and the applied with a sort of frenzy arising from the of the contest, proved at last the superiority of old-ware over Australian reptiles. The snake was of

RTZ-BERRA, BUNGONIA.—A considerable increase in population in the neighbourhood of Spring Creek has place (says the *Goulburn Herald*), and numerous men are engaged in working claims or prospecting, business men are active in preparations for supplying

kind of the inhabitants. The progress of the reefs is slow, however, by the want of additional machinery, the machine at present in work is fully occupied in crushing the prospectors themselves. In fact, they can not crush stone than they can crush. In the claim they are crushing the reef is now four feet wide, and it is stated they can crush one hundred and fifty tons of quartz per week. This is more than can be crushed. It is the intention

two, if not three other parties to erect machinery, then this is done other claim-holders will have a of getting some returns. Several parcels of quartz different reefs have recently been sent to the Mint for In regard to the yield from recent crushings, we received no authentic report. Being a private speculator there is no necessity for the owners to make it

w.—A splendid fall of snow came down in Goulton Wednesday morning (the *Southern Argus* reports), for three hours the snowy flakes descended softly on and up ground till the fields, streets, and houses were covered with a white mantle. An hour after the floecy

had ceased little or no trace of the snow was visible, the afternoon sun shone out, but a cold wind was blowing. The weather since has been fine but with high winds.

DEN DRAITH IN THE YAKA HOSPITAL.—The *Southern* reports that, on Tuesday, George Walsh, who was in the Yaka hospital, dropped dead in his ward. Mr. Walsh was the last of six or six years' banishment of Crova.

in the Lechlan district, under Mr. Commissioner
man, at Bitalang. In that capacity he acted as clerk
Beckham. Mr. Walsh was subject to palpitation of
art, and had several times come to Yarn to receive
relief, when ultimately, by the advice of the
gentleman who was attending him, he came into
and went into the hospital, that he might receive
treatment there.

a to the complaint which caused his death for up-
of eighteen months. The deceased has left a wife
children behind him. The news of his death was
his wife at Binalong on Tuesday evening, when she
several of her neighbours started for Yau, where they
about 12 the same night, and on Wednesday paid
tribute of respect to the remains of her husband by

PERFORMANCE HALL CONCERT.—These weekly entertainments continue to be numerous and patronised, for the hall was not as usual densely crowded, on any evening it was nearly filled, and that it was not so, may be attributed to the unfavourable weather. It could have no reason in the programme, as it was as attractive as those heretofore presented, and

leading vocalists appeared as exotics, namely Mr. Jackson, Miss James, Mr. Andrew Fairfax, and Miss Wiseman. The selections were of a thoroughly character, well varied with regard to preceding and the musical portion of the entertainment was aided by the recitations by Mr. Cameron and Mr. Mr. Richard Hill, M.L.A. was in the chair.

series was given on Saturday night, at the School of Music, notwithstanding the muddy state of the streets and the threatening appearance of the weather, the attendance was very numerous. The chair was occupied by the Hon. Member for the Legislative Council, Sir Terence A. Swire. The programme was very judiciously selected, and the compositions were sung in a manner which

the enthusiasm evoked. The concert was managed by the efficient management of Mr. E. H. Cobley, and principal artists were Mrs. W. J. Cordero, Signor Ugo Mr. James Kean, Miss Clara Lea, Miss Higgins, R. L. Skinner.

CAF CONCERTS.—The second of a series of cheap evening concerts was given at the United Temperance Hall, at the corner of Bathurst and Pitt streets,

Friday evening. There was but a small attendance, probably, to the inclement state of the weather. A set of very good songs were given by lady and gentlemen. Two or three repetitions were also given. J. Ryall presided at the piano-forte.

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LACHLAN DISTRICT.

For Positive Sale to the highest bidder.

That first-class well-known
PATTERNING STATION
BILLABONG,
situated on LAKE COWAL and BLAND'S PLAIN

The Improvements are very first-class, and include house
stead and necessary outbuildings, dairy station, lar-
ge paddocks, yards, and every requisite for working
station of this size and value.

With this Station will be sold
2000 HEAD OF CATTLE,
more or less.
A very superior herd, to be mustered and delivered.
••• Stores, Working Stock, Teams, and all other belong-
ings to be taken by valuation in the usual way.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from THOMAS LEE, Esq. to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney on TUESDAY, the 19th October next, at 11 o'clock, The above valuable cattle property.

Billabong
Lower Billabong
Billabong Back Run
Clear Ridge, and
Wombine,
forming together nearly a square tract of country, embraced

On the north the run includes nearly the whole of the Cowal Lake, which, either in times of drought or ordinary seasons, carries and fattens a very large quantity of stock; the principal portion of the rest of the run is composed of numerous small plains, richly grassed, and divided

The supply of water is abundant and permanent, as, addition to LAKE COWAL, BLAND CREEK forms one boundary of the station, while the back run is also well watered by BRANCH CREEK running all through the range.

The IMPROVEMENTS are extensive and complete. They comprise DWELLING-HOUSE of 6 rooms, kitchen, hay shed, and all other necessary outbuildings. The stock yard is capable of working 5000 head of cattle, and fitted with drafting yards, having swing gates and over

The paddock accommodation is large, and is enclosed about twenty miles of good fencing, forming a block nearly five miles square, subdivided into four paddocks, viz the house, horse, dairy, and grass paddock—the latter containing about 16,000 acres.

The Billabong station is about 45 miles from the Wadn Mountain Diggings, 40 miles from Forbes, 150 from Bathurst, and about 600 miles from Melbourne. It is situated close to the main route for cattle travelling to a Southern market, and would make an excellent depot

With the above station will be sold
2000 HEAD OF CATTLE, more or less,
 a very choice herd, having been bred from imported stock
 and their progeny for a number of years,
 The above station is a very desirable investment.

It is, without exception, one of the most profitable cat properties in the Lechian district, being surrounded several local markets for its fat stock, while it is within an easy travelling distance from Sydney. It is in the market for SALE WITHOUT RESERVE, and the attention of capitalists is especially directed to it affording them the best opportunity of the season.

Terms at sale.

LACHLAN DISTRICT.

For Positive Sale, by order of the Executors of the late
CORNELIUS O'BRIEN, Esq.

That well-known choice Pastoral Estate called
BENDENINE,
situated in the LACHLAN DISTRICT, about midw
between the towns of YASS, BINALONG, a
BURROWA.

4172 acres of **PURCHASED LAND**, are of an extensive and substantial character. They comprise a very desirable **HOMESTEAD** fit for gentleman's family, and every other convenience carrying on the Estate as an agricultural as well as pastoral property.

With Bonoline will be sold the following stock, viz.:
14,600 sheep, more or less
35 head of cattle, more or less.
Horses, about 14 head, and other working stock,
stores, implements, and belongings, to be taken by the purchaser by valuation, in the usual way.

RICHARDSON and WARRIOR have received instructions from the Executors of the late Cornelius O'Brien, Esq., to sell by public auction, the Rooms, Pitt-street, Sydney, on **TUESDAY, 16 September next,**
The above choice property.
Bendemeine is situated on the Burrows River, by which and eight dams well secured by fencing, it is abundant.

The purchased land contains 6173 acres, of which 7 are enclosed by substantial fencing, divided into paddocks. On part of this land are erected the improvements. The surplusage of the homesteaded land also forms part of the purchase.

HOUSE, containing hall, 16 x 12; drawing-room, 20 x 16; dining-room, 20 x 16; 3 large bedrooms, dressing, a bath room; and pantry, kitchen, with large pantry & servants' room, laundry. Large stores, 40 x 20 and 20 x 20; stabling for five horses, and harness-room. Mill room, 30 x 24, with mill of 3-horse power, complete, and good order; additional stabling for eight draught horses.

The woolshed, 160 x 86, is a replica with modern improvements, and fitted up with two woolpresses.

The three cultivation paddocks for wheat enclose 34, 1 and 80 acres respectively, and there is one hay paddock about 10 acres.

The sheep to be sold with the above property are of very prime description—large framed, and yielding a heavy clip (about 34 lbs. washed), of good quality wool, well known under the COB brand. They comprise

1300, ditto ditto, 3 years old
 1150, ditto ditto, maidens, 2 years old
 1500, ditto ditto, hoggata, 1 ditto
 Total ewes, more or less..... 72
 WETHERS—4400, more or less, from 2 to 5 years old

	1600, more or less, 1 year old	
	Total wethers, more or less	60
	Mixed flock, from 1 year upwards	2
RAMS —	The progeny of imported Rambouillet and Negretti, pure breeds	3
	Total sheep, more or less	14

•• Of the ewe flock, 1300 are to lamb down next month.

Though comparatively small in area, its carrying capabilities are unusually great, being quite equal to one sheep acre in very ordinary seasons. It is now in the market for absolute sale, by order of the executors of the late Cornelius O'Brien, Esq.

Terms at sale.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
 Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 9th August, 1869.
 ROOSE V. JOHN WALSH.
BY VIRTUE of the authority given by the

THE Act of Council, 5 Victoria, No. 9, the
SHERIFF will cause to be sold by public auction,
Camb's Commercial Hotel, King-street, Sydney
THIS DAY, the 13th day of September next, unless the
writ be previously satisfied,
All the right, title, and interest of the defendant, *John*
Walsh, of and in the equity of redemption in
the above land situate, in the

those parcels of land situated in the parish of St. Lawrence, city of Sydney, county of Cumberland colony aforesaid, and being allotments Nos. 2, 9, and 11, of section 3, of the Cleveland Estate, north of Devonshire-street, commencing at the intersection of Randle-street with Elizabeth-street, and bounded on the north and north-west by Randle-street bearing westerly 14 feet 9 inches, and south

degrees, west 115 feet 6 inches; on the south-west by the north-eastern boundary of lot 12, bearing east 41 degrees, south 631 feet; on the west by line bearing south-westerly 35 feet 6 inches; on the south by the north boundary of Mrs. Putte's allotment No. 8, bearing easterly 85 feet; and on the east by Elizabeth-street aforesaid, bearing northern 145 feet to the point of commencement.

JOHN THELAN, Under Sheriff.

